Relapsed Aggressive B-cell NHL: CAR-T vs Bispecific Antibodies

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Outcomes Frontline Therapy DLBCL: 5-year Analysis GOYA trial







Autologous HCT as Standard Care for R/R DLBCL



Philip et al., NEJM 1995



Autologous HCT is still beneficial in chemosensitive disease despite timing of relapse: CIBMTR Analysis



Shah N et al. Blood 2021; Bal S et al;. Trans Cell Ther 2021

Refractory Diffuse Large B cell Lymphoma carries a poor prognosis

- SCHOLAR-1 patient level meta-analysis of refractory Aggressive NHL
 - ORR of 26% (CR of 7%, PR of 19%)



Real-Life R/R DLBCL: Population Based Analysis-Netherlands



Pennings E et Al. B Can Journ 2023

CAR T-Cell Therapy: Underlying Principles



Majors. EHA 2018. Abstr PS1156. Lim. Cell. 2017;168:724. Sadelain. Nat Rev Cancer. 2003;3:35. Brentjens. Nat Med. 2003;9:279. Park. ASH 2015. Abstr 682. Axicabtagene ciloleucel PI. Tisagenlecleucel PI.

US FDA approvals of CAR T therapy





CD19-Directed CAR T-Cell Products for LBCL



van der Stegen. Nat Rev Drug Discov. 2015;14:499.

Pivotal Anti-CD19 CAR T-Cell Therapy Trials: Long term follow-up





Neelapu et Al. Blood 2023. Schuster et Al. Lancet Oncol 2021. Abramson et Al. Blood 2023

ZUMA-1: Long term efficacy of Axi-Cel in R/R DLBCL-Overall Survival Update At 5 Years (mITT, n = 101): <u>Curative potential</u>



With ≥ 5 years of follow-up, median OS was 25.8 months, and the KM estimate of the 5-year OS rate was 42.6%
 Since the 4-y cut-off there was 1 dead (month 63) and 1 PD (month 54)



Jacobson et al. ASH Meeting 2021: 1760, Neelapu et al. Blood 2023

ZUMA-1: OS by event at 12 months and ongoing response by CART expansion



CAR T-Cell AUC₀₋₂₈





Jacobson et al. ASH Meeting 2021: 1760; Neelapu et al. Blood 2023

OS update in JULIET (Tisa-Cel) and TRANSCEND (Liso_cel)

JULIET

TRANSCEND



Median follow up: 40.3 months

Median follow up: 23.9 months



Schuster S et al. Lancet Oncol 2021; Abramson et Al. Blood 2023

The quest to cure more patients with R/R DLBCL



ZUMA-7: Axi-Cel vs SOC Study Schema





Phase III randomized trials in transplant eligible: EFS and PFS results



Abramson et al. Blood 2023; Locke et al. NEJM 2021

Patients with R/R DLBCL are cured with CAR-T



ZUMA-7 Improved OS with CAR-T as second line therapy



No. at Risk

 Axi-cel
 180 177 170 161 157 147 136 125 117 116 114 111 108 105 105 100 100 100 100 100 96 80 67 54 41 29 20 14 4 2 1 0

 Standard care
 179 176 163 149 134 121 111 106 101 98 91 89 88 87 87 85 83 81 79 78 73 63 51 41 31 19 14 7 4 1 0

Westin J et Al. N Eng J Med 2023

Earlier use of CART may improve outcome



Locke et al. Lancet Oncol 2018, Locke et al. N Eng J Med 2021, Neelapu ASH Meeting Abstracts 2021

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ZUMA-12 Axi-Cel as Frontline Therapy for High Risk DLBCL: 3-year follow up



- Medians for PFS and OS were not reached in efficacy-evaluable patients
 - Among patients who achieved a CR as best response, the 3-year PFS and OS rates were 84.4% (95% CI, 66.5-93.2) and 90.6% (95% CI, 73.6-96.9), respectively



Impact of CAR-T infusion waiting times in DLBCL: CIBMTR analysis (> 1300 pts)

Figure 1: Adjusted curves for overall survival by vein-to-vein time





Locke et al ASH Meeting Asbtract 2022: 3345

Bispecific antibodies for LBCL





What have we learned about BiAbs in lymphomas?

- They can cause CRS (mostly during C1)
- Neurotoxicity is unusual
- Efficacy is dose dependent
- Step up dosing mitigates toxicity and may spare need for admission



CRS events occur early: Analysis of Glofitamab Phase 2 Pivotal Cohort



Dickinson M al. N Eng J Med 2022.

Bispecific Abs: FDA approvals R/R LBCL



Glofitamab

FDA approved June 2023

Epcoritamab FDA approved May 2023



Treatment schedule

- 1000mg Gpt 7 days prior to glofitamab administration
- Glofitamab IV step-up doses on C1D1 and D8 and at target dose from C2D1 (2.5/10/16mg or 2.5/10/30mg)
- Cycle 1 was 14-days long; glofitamab was given Q3W thereafter for up to 12 cycles







Epcoritamab for R/R DLBCL: Phase 2 pivotal study

100

75 50

25

-25

-50

-75

Baseline Characteristics

N= 157 pts Unlimited treatment (SC) Median lines: 3 (2-11) Primary refractory: 61% Prior CAR-T: 38.9% Prior auto HCT: 20%

Results

Median f/u: 10.7 months ORR= 63% CR= 39% PFS in CR pts at EOT: Not reached Median PFS= 4.4 months. Not reached in MRD-CRS all (G>3)= 49.7% (2.5%) Mainly during C1



Thieblemont at AI. EHA Congress 2022; Thieblemont et AI. J Clin Oncol 2022

Glofitamab for RR Large B-cell Lymphoma (3L): Phase 2 Pivotal Results

Progression-free Survival in the Main Analysis Cohort

Baseline Characteristics

N= 155 pts Time limited therapy (12 cycles IV with pretreatment obinutuzumab) Median lines: 3 (2-7) Primary refractory: 58% Prior CAR-T: 33% Prior auto HCT: 18%

Results

Median f/u: 12.6 months ORR= 52% CR= 39% **PFS in CR pts at EOT: Not reached** Median PFS= 4.9 months CRS all (G \geq 3)= 63% (4%) Mainly during C1





Dickinson M et Al. N Eng J Med 2022.

Efficacy of FDA approved CAR-T and BiAbs in R/R LBCL

	ZUMA-1	TRANSCEND	JULIET	EPCORE	GO
Product	Axi-Cel	Liso-Cel	Tisa-Cel	Epcoritamab	Glofitamab
Median F/U	60 months	24 months	40.3 months	10.7 months	12.6 months
ORR	83%	75%	52%	63.1%	52%
CR	54%	53%	40%	38.9%	39%
PFS	5.9 months	6.8 months	2.9 months	4.4 months	4.9 months
OS	25.8 months	27.3 months	11.1 months	NR	8.9 months

Neelapu et Al. *Blood* 2023, Abramson et Al. *Blood* 2023, Schuster et Al. *Lancet Oncology* 2021, Thieblemont at Al. *J Clin Oncol* 2022, Dickinson M et Al. *N Eng J Med* 2022.



Combination of BiAbs seems to increase efficacy

Mosunetuzumab - Polatuzumab

N= 98. Median F/U: 23.9 months Median lines: 2 (1-8) Post CAR-T: 35.7% ORR= 63.5% CR= 51%

Glofitamab - Polatuzumab

N= 121. Median F/U: 20.4 months Median lines: 2 (1-7) Post CAR-T: 22.4% ORR= 80.2% CR= 59.2%



Budde E, Chavez JC et Al. Nat Medicine 2023, Hutchings M et Al. ASH Meeting 2023

Key Immune-Related Toxicities: CAR-T and BiAbs

	ZUMA-1	TRANSCEND	JULIET	EPCORE	GO
Product	Axi-Cel	Liso-Cel	Tisa-Cel	Epcoritamab	Glofitamab
CRS (all grades)	93%	39%	58%	47.9%	63%
CRS <u>></u> 3	13%	1%	22%	2.5%	4%
ICANS (all grades)	64%	23%	21%	6.4%	8%
ICANS <u>></u> 3	28%	10%	12%	0.6%	3%

Neelapu et Al. *Blood* 2023, Abramson et Al. *Blood* 2023, Schuster et Al. *Lancet Oncology* 2021, Thieblemont at Al. *J Clin Oncol* 2022, Dickinson M et Al. *N Eng J Med* 2022.



Sequencing: CAR-T or BiAbs



BiAbs are very effective post CAR-T relapse

Glofitamab

N Pts: 51 (33%) ORR: NR CR: 32%

Epcoritamab

N pts: 61(38.9%) ORR: 54.1% CR: 34.4%

Odronextamab

N pts: 41 (~33%) ORR: 48% CR: 30%

Dickinson M et Al. N Eng J Med 2022. Thieblemont C at Al. J Clin Oncol 2022, Crombie J at Al. ASH Meeting 2023



CAR-T is also active post BiAbs progression

Multicenter study (Europe) N= 47 pts. Median lines 2 (prior to BiAbs) CART: Axi-cel (47%), tisa-cel (43%), liso-cel (11%) ORR: 83% CR: 43% Response independent to prior BiAbs response PFS= 6.6 months





Choosing CAR-T vs BiAbs

- Curative: Long-term efficacy data (ZUMA-1: 5-years)
- OS benefit over SOC (ZUMA-7, TRANSFORM)
- One time treatment
- RWE confirms efficacy
- Higher frequency/severity CRS/ICANS
- Logistics (distance, caregiver)
- Manufacturing time/failure
- Other toxicities (cytopenias, infections)



- "Off the shelf"
- Similar efficacy
- Lower risk/severity CRS/ICANS
- Combination seem more feasible and effective (mosunpola)
- Curative? Unclear
- No RWE data (yet)
- Repetitive dosing and indefinite (Epcoritamab)
- Specialized training still required

